## **Brookhaven National Laboratory Environmental Stewardship Policy**

The following environmental commitments provide the framework within which BNL employees, contractors, guests, and visitors will conduct their job-related activities.

## **Environmental Policy**

It is Brookhaven National Laboratory's (BNL) policy to integrate environmental stewardship into all facets of the Laboratory's missions. We will manage our programs in a manner that protects the ecosystem and public health.

In support of this policy, BNL makes the following commitments:

- We are committed to achieving compliance with applicable environmental requirements.
- In consideration of the potential impacts of our activities on the environment, we will integrate pollution prevention/waste minimization, resource conservation, and compliance into all of our planning and decision-making. We will adopt cost-effective practices that eliminate, minimize or mitigate environmental impacts.
- We will define, prioritize, and aggressively correct and clean up existing environmental problems.
- We will work to continually improve our EMS and performance. We will establish appropriate environmental objectives and performance indicators to guide these efforts and measure our progress.
- We will maintain a positive, proactive, and constructive relationship with our neighbors in the community, regulators, DOE, and our other stakeholders. We will openly communicate with stakeholders on our progress and performance.

In addition to my annual review of the Laboratory progress on our environmental goals and adherence to this policy, I invite all interested parties to comment on our performance with regard to this policy.

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